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This is your guide to programs and events held within Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area – a national park based on collaboration and partnership.

Dedicated staff, including many volunteers, of participating agencies and organizations provide avenues for you to explore and enjoy the Santa Monica Mountains.

Questions on a particular program or event?

Look for the acronym at the end of the description (e.g., NPS = National Park Service) for the sponsoring park partner. Then turn to the **Directory on Page 33**.

Directions and **map** for program/event locations are also at the end of this booklet.

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Tips for a safe and enjoyable visit:

Whether you are an equestrian, hiker, or mountain bicyclist, help us protect our natural areas by staying on designated trails. Please also be considerate of other trail users and respect private land.

KEEP HYDRATED Carry and drink plenty of water. Recommend one quart for short walks and more for longer hikes.

FOOTWEAR Wear sturdy footwear hiking boots or sneakers with good tread.

NEVER HIKE ALONE The buddy system allows someone to go for help if needed.

HELP PREVENT WILDFIRE Avoid smoking on trails or in brush areas and do not build fires on the ground.

POISON OAK Staying on trails is the best way to avoid contact with this plant's leaves (clusters of three shiny leaflets) or its roots.

TICKS Check your clothing and exposed skin after hiking since some ticks may carry diseases.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RATTLESNAKES

These snakes will not bother you if you stay away from them. If someone is bitten by one, do not make an incision or try to draw out venom. Instead, seek advanced medical attention and get the person to an emergency room.

EMERGENCIES

Call **911**. For a ranger, call Angeles Dispatch at 661-723-3620.



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area

VISIT US!

Visitor Center

26876 Mulholland Hwy Calabasas CA 91302 Hours: 9am to 5pm (closed some holidays) 805-370-2301

Online

www.nps.gov/samo

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THU 10/1

8am

Point Mugu State Park – Ray Miller Trailhead

La Jolla Valley Join a moderately-paced, 8-9-mile hike with ocean views and open grasslands. We'll observe how this location is recovering after it burned in May 2013. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, sunscreen, windbreaker, and \$ for parking or park on PCH & walk in. Rain cancels. Info: 818-981-4799. 4-5hrs SC

SAT 10/3

8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Interagency Visitor Center
Year-round Resident Birds
Join us for an easy 1-mile
stroll through the grounds,
while we discuss the birds
that choose to stay for the
winter. Bring your binoculars
and bird book. 1.5hrs NPS



Springtime in our National Parks
PHOTO EXHIBIT & SALE

Friday, October 2 from 9am - 5pmSanta Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center

Tom Gamache selected his imagery from the book *Range on the Edge - The Santa Monica Mountains* and from his 40 plus years of work. Meet the artist on **October 18, 2pm - 4pm**. The exhibit and sale will run run through **November 1**.

Info: 805-370-2301

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SAT 10/3 8:45am

Cold Creek Preserve

Habitat Restoration Help
plant, weed, and water native
wildflowers and plants in the
valley preserve. Bring snack,
water, and sturdy shoes. Gloves
and tools provided. Receive
community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-5911701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

SAT 10/3 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Introduction to Mountain
Bike Skills Learn proper offroad riding fundamentals and
shared-use etiquette. Mountain
bike and helmet required.
Heavy rain cancels. Info: www.
corbamtb.com or 805-5581606. 4hrs CORBA

SAT 10/3 9:30am

Cold Creek Preserve -Lower Stunt High Trail
First Saturday Walk Savor
an autumn walk-about along
a streamside trail through oak
woodlands to a gently rolling
chaparral basin below craggy
sandstone peaks. Bring hat,
water, and sturdy shoes. Info:
818-591-9163. 2hrs CCD/MRT

SAT 10/3 10am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
Franklin's Movie Magic Go
on location! From "The Andy
Griffith Show" to "Modern
Family", this site has been
the backdrop for movies and
TV shows since the 1930s to
this day. Take a stroll with us
through the canyon on this easy
walk. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC



Art Exhibit Opening Sunday, October 4 11am - 2pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Be entranced by the work of the late Cahuilla/Apache artist *Billy Warsoldier*. Curator *Lorene Sisquoc* will discuss his influences and technique relative to abstract expressionist oil painting.



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SAT 10/3

2pm

King Gillette Ranch
Capture a Nature Moment
Nature offers the best photo
opportunities, but can be a
difficult model. Enjoy an easy
walk while we help you with
this enjoyable art. Bring your
camera. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 10/4 3pm

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
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difficult model. Learn the tricks
of nature photography on an
easy walk. Bring your camera.
2hrs MRCA/SMMC

TUE 10/6

9am

Point Mugu State Park
Chumash Trail - La Jolla
Canyon Join a 8-mile, 1500'
gain hike that starts with a very
steep 900' climb. Meet at
Chumash Trailhead. 5hrs SC

FRI 10/9

2pm

Santa Monica Mountains
Interagency Visitor Center
A Bit of Local History Join
us for a leisurely stroll around
the visitor center and adjacent
grounds while we learn what
the properties meant to those
who lived here. Meet inside
visitor center. 1hr NPS

SAT 10/10 8:45am

Malibu Creek State Park
Return of the Oak Woodlands Join us to help our native
oak habitat. Bring hat, water,
snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves
and tools provided. Receive
community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-5911701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

SAT 10/10 9am

King Gillette Ranch
Paint-out This 588-acre park
provides a eucalyptus-lined entrance that opens to mountain
vistas, oak groves, a Mediterranean estate, and pond designed
by Wallace Neff. Painting
demonstration, facilities, and
parking fee. Info: http://alliedartists.com. 4hrs AASMM

SAT 10/10

3pm

King Gillette Ranch
Walk into the Chumash
World Chumash Indians have
used many natural resources for
thousands of years to create a
sustainable way of life. Learn
about their culture and life in
Southern California on this easy
1-mile walk. Meet at front parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SAT 10/10 5:45pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
The Art of Silence Join a
ranger for a silent hike through
the grassy hills. Experience
nature undisturbed by human
voices and enhance your
experience through the twilight
sounds of wildlife. Meet at main
parking lot. Heavy rain cancels.
1.25hrs NPS



Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center October 11, 2015
Sunday, 10am to 3:30pm

A day to celebrate and learn about archaeology! Join us for flintknapping demonstrations, a hands-on "dig box" for children, artifact displays, and presentations by local archaeologists.

INFO: 805-370-2301



Sunday Concerts

at Peter Strauss Ranch

October 11, 2015 4:00pm - 6:00pm



We've extended our concert series this summer! Prepare to be impressed by an LA youth jazz band

and youth rock band from **Heart of Los** Angeles (HOLA).

Information: 805-370-2301 NATIONAL PARK **SFRVICE**



MON 10/12 10am

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center Family Hike to Inspiration Point Enjoy a family walk arounds the grounds of King Gillette Ranch. Meet inside visitor center. No strollers. 1.5hrs NPS

TUE 10/13 8:30am

Upper Las Virgenes Canyon Open Space Preserve Easy Pace Hikers Join a 6-mile. 800' gain hike on trail and along a seasonal stream among the grasslands of Simi Hills. Meet at trailhead kiosk. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: Pixie 818-787-5420, 3-4hrs SC

TUE 10/13

Circle X Ranch -Mishe Mokwa Trailhead Tri Peaks (3010') Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile loop, 1700' gain hike on Boney Mountain scenic trails past Balanced and Split Rocks and Echo Cliffs, 5hrs SC

9am

SAT 10/17 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains La Sierra Native Plant Restoration Meet in Peter Strauss Ranch parking lot to carpool to restoration sites. Bring hat, water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: www.mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203, 3,5hrs MRT

SAT 10/17

9am

Franklin Canyon -Franklin Canvon Ranch Unleash in Nature Are you ready to get your heart pumping and legs moving while soaking up the sun? Challenge yourself with an aerobic warmup and workout hike. Learn how to incorporate a variety of energizing exercise moves all while enjoying the great outdoors. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

SAT 10/17 10am

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center Get Inspired on a Hike! Join a ranger and enjoy a 1-mile loop hike with 360 degree views of the Santa Monica Mountains. Meet by fountain. Bring water and sunscreen, 1.5hrs NPS

SAT 10/17 10am

King Gillette Ranch Wilderness Survival Basics Ever wonder what it takes to get prepared for a wilderness survival situation? Join us to learn some of the basics and tips you hopefully will never have to use. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

SAT 10/17 3pm

Temescal Gateway Park Walk into the Chumash World Chumash Indians have used many natural resources for thousands of years to create a sustainable way of life. Learn about their culture and life in Southern California on this easy walk. Meet at front parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 10/18

8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Birdwalk Enjoy watching birds
in unspoiled habitats. Bring
binoculars. Beginners welcome!
Meet in lower parking lot. Info:
Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art
818-887-0973. 4hrs SFVAS

SUN 10/18 9:30am

Stunt Ranch Reserve -Lower Stunt High Trailhead Autumn's Allure Enjoy the transformation of the seasons in an easy downhill hike through rock-studded chaparral, grassland and riparian habitats. Info: 818-591-9163. 2.5hrs CCD/MRT

SUN 10/18 10am

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center History Tour Join us for a historical tour of the King Gillette Ranch and visitor center. Meet inside the visitor center. Rain cancels. 1hr NPS

TUE 10/20 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Easy Pace Hikers Join a
6-mile, 800' gain hike from De
Anza to Liberty Canyon and
see many trees, views of the
mountains, and plants. Meet
at De Anza Park, Calabasas,
exit 101 Fwy at Lost Hills Rd.,
turn south. (Left if coming from
the Valley). Proceed 1-mile to
parking lot on the right. Bring
water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and
sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info:
Dotty 805-532-2485. 3-4hrs SC

TUE 10/20 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Corral Canyon to Mesa Peak
Join a 7-mile, 800' gain loop
hike on Backbone Trail to Mesa
Peak. Meet at the north end of
Corral Canyon Road. 5hrs SC

The Chautauqua Series



Tuesday, October 20, at 7:30pm Temescal Gateway Park

Legendary Tongva Tales

Enjoy the evening listening to one of the legendary stories of the Tongva culture, *The Twin Sister Story of the Pacific Palisades*. Told by Tongva elder *Julia Bogany* who is working to preserve the language of the culture. Meet at Woodland Hall. 1.5hrs MRCA/SMMC

WED 10/21

9am

Paramount Ranch
Plein Art Landscape Painting
Bring your own materials and
paint landscapes with fellow
artists. All levels welcome.
Coordinator: Soni 818-8005105. 3hrs TOPAW

THU 10/22 8:30am Zuma/Trancas Canyons -

Newton Canyon Trailhead
Upper Zuma Canyon Backbone Trail Join a moderatelypaced, 8-mile, 1400' gain hike
on scenic trail through canyon,
then on fire road with mountain
and ocean views, to Buzzard's
Roost. Bring 2 qts water, lunch,
lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen.
Rain cancels. Info: 818-2225581. 4hrs SC

SAT 10/24

9am

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Potrero Creek Restoration
Help plant, weed and water
native oaks in a new restoration
site. Meet at W. Potrero Rd.
and Briar Ave. Bring hat, water,
snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves
and tools provided. Receive
community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-5911701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SAT 10/24

9am

Zuma/Trancas Canyons – Zuma Canyon Trailhead Lower Zuma Canyon Join a moderately-strenuous, 11-mile 2800' gain loop hike on canyon and ridge trails with ocean and coastal views. 5hrs SC

A FUN EVENT FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

Cast a rod and reel, get on a horse, set up a tent, climb a wall, take a hike, and much more.

www.nps.gov/samo/recfest2015.htm





Cultural Workshop

Sunday, October 25 10am & 1pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Join Potawatomi Cherokee artist, *Nadiya Littlewarrior*, for a workshop on making decorative gourds necklaces. Materials will be provided. Please be on time. All are ages welcome. First come, first served. 2hrs

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SAT 10/24 10am

Malibu Creek State Park
Welcome to Malibu Creek
Join a docent for a walk
along the creek and through
a wooded valley. Learn about
the area's early inhabitants,
animals, plants, and movies
filmed in the park. Meet at
lower parking lot. 2hrs MCD

SUN 10/25 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach
Beach and Wetlands Bird
Watching Beginners, experts,
teens or adults are all welcome.
Bring binoculars. Meet at the
shaded viewpoint. Info:
310-395-6235. 2-3hrs SMBAS

SUN 10/25

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SUN 10/25

9am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Enjoy Qigong standing exercises on the beach. Qigong is a healing system which includes slow flowing movements like Tai Chi that can easily be adapted to one's physical ability. Wear

loose fitting clothing. 1.25hrs

10am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach
Birdwatching for Young
Children and Parents Join
us on this special walk —
binoculars will be provided.
Meet at shaded viewpoint.
Reservations required for
groups: 310-395-6235. 1hr
SMBAS

TUE 10/27

9am

Topanga State Park
Santa Ynez Cyn to Trailer
Cyn Join a moderate 9-mile,
2000' gain hike around Santa
Ynez waterfall (will not be visible) to Cathedral Rock. Meet
at Santa Ynez trailhead (From
Pacific Coast Hwy/Hwy 1, take
Sunset Blvd inland for 1/2 mile.
Turn left onto Palisades Dr.,
head north for 2.4 miles, and
then left onto Vereda de la
Montura. Park on street).
5hrs SC

TUE 10/27 6pm

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Hike Join us on an
evening for exploring nature by
moonlight. Enjoy our moderately-strenuous hike with great
views. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs
MRCA/NPS

TUE 10/27

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Full Moon Hike Enjoy the
autumn evening beneath the
glow of a full moon. Meet at
main parking lot. Moderate
hike. 2hrs MRCA

6pm

SAT 10/31 8:45am

Leo Carrillo State Park
Habitat Restoration Help
remove invasive plants at the
beach. Bring water, snack, hat,
and sturdy shoes. Gloves and
tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations
required: www.mountainstrust.
org or 818-591-1701 x203.
3.5hrs MRT

SAT 10/31 9am

Circle X Ranch Mishe Mokwa Trailhead

18th Annual Backbone Trail
Festival: Peaks with a Point
and a Rock Join a 8-mile,
2500' gain hike to four peaks:
Sandstone (3111'), Tri (3010'),
Exchange (2950'), Boney
(2825'), and Inspiration Point
(2750'). We will see Balanced
Rock returning on the Mishe
Mokwa Trail, passing Split and
Echo Rocks, 6hrs SC



Mountains Restoration Trust

Adopt-a-Creek Volunteers Needed

Join us to improve the health of the Malibu Creek Watershed by removing invasive crayfish! Crayfish prey on native species, causing reduction in biodiversity. Large and small groups welcome!

Volunteer jobs include:

- Trap and remove crayfish
- · Set traps for next team
- · Remove litter
- · Be a steward of the stream
- · Collect water quality and species data

Information: www.mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203



Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains

Environmental Educator Training

Like working with students (grades K-12)? **Enjoy being outside interpreting nature?** Then contact us!

rcdsmm.org/education rcdsmm.edu@gmail.com 818-597-8627 x103

SUN 11/1

9am

THU 11/5

8:30am

Zuma/Trancas Canyons -Newton Canyon Trailhead 18th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Kanan Rd to Trancas Cyn Join a moderate. 7-mile hike on trail through oak woodlands and chaparral. 4hrs SC

SUN 11/1 3pm

Franklin Canyon -Franklin Canyon Ranch **Capture a Nature Moment** Nature offers the best photo opportunities, but can be a dif-

ficult model. Learn the tricks of nature photography on an easy walk. Bring your camera. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/ SMMC

TUE 11/3 9am

Malibu Creek State Park **Malibu Creek Revisited Join** a moderate, 8-mile, 1200' gain hike on seldom used Chaparral and Lost Cabin Trails. Meet at fee parking lot, 5hrs SC

WED 11/4 10am

Paramount Ranch **Plein Art Landscape Painting** Bring your materials and paint landscapes with fellow artists. All levels welcome. Coordinator: Soni 818-800-5105, 3hrs

TOPAW

Caballero Canyon -Lower Trailhead

Nike Missile Radar Site Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile, 1100' gain hike with great mountain and valley views. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen Rain cancels Info: 818-981-4799, 4hrs SC

SAT 11/7 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center Second Migration of the Year Join us for an easy 1-mile stroll through the grounds to look for the species that are "iust passing through." Bring vour binoculars and bird book. 1.5hrs NPS

SAT 11/7 8:45am

Cold Creek Preserve **Habitat Restoration Help** plant, weed, and water native wildflowers and other plants in the valley preserve. Bring snack, water, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: www.mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

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SAT 11/7 9am

Will Rogers State Historic Park Art Show Come celebrate Will Rogers' birthday! Art show will feature original art of the Santa Monica Mountains and Seashore, entertainment, and light refreshments. Facilities and parking fee. Info: http://alliedartists.com. 7hrs AASMM

SAT 11/7 9am

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woodlands to a gently rolling
chaparral basin below craggy
sandstone peaks. Info: 818591-9163. 2hrs CCD/MRT

SAT 11/7 10am

Paramount Ranch
Be a Wildlife Biologist! Ages
5-12, learn about our project to
re-introduce the endangered
California red-legged frog with
a hands-on simulation. Be
prepared to get wet. Reservations required: 805-370-2325.
1.5hrs NPS

SAT 11/7 10am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
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on location! From "The Andy
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SUN 11/8 9am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
Nature Trek Lace up those
shoes and join us on an moderately-difficult hike, covering
the canyon from top to bottom,
including shady green trails and
sun-baked, steep paths. Canyon
history and habitat chat along
the way. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 11/8 9am

Point Mugu State Park

18th Annual Backbone Trail
Festival: Ray Miller Trail
Loop Join a moderate, 7-mile,
1200' gain loop hike at the
western end of the Backbone
Trail. Meet at Sycamore Canyon
parking lot. 5hrs SC



Cultural Workshop

Sunday, November 8 10am & 1pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Hupa artist, *Kat High*, will teach how to make coiled baskets. Materials provided. All ages welcome. Please be on time. Limited seating and materials, so first come, first served.

2hrs Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Spirit of the Mountains BIG PHOTO AFTERNOON Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center

November 8, 2015 Sunday, 2pm - 4pm

Exhibit opening, announcement of the 2015 *Photo Contest* winners, and a professional photo review of this year's entries.

INFO: 805-370-2301 Visit: www.nps.gov/samo/ photocontest.htm for the latest information

TUE 11/10 8:30am

Stunt Ranch Reserve -Lower Stunt High Trailhead Easy Pace Hikers/Calabasas Peak Join a 4-mile hike, 950' gain to the top for great multi-Valley views at one of the highest peaks. Wonderful rock formations and flowers; waterfalls after rains, too! Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: Rita 818-889-9924. 3-4hrs SC

TUE 11/10 9am

Will Rogers State Park
Bienveneda to Will Rogers
Join a moderate, 8-mile, 1600'
gain hike to Temescal Cyn Pk.
Meet at end of Bienveneda Ave.
5hrs SC

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La Sierra Native Plant Restoration Meet in Peter Strauss
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Gloves and tools provided.
Receive community service credit. Reservations required: www.mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

Liftoff by Susan Schalbe Spirit of the Mountains Photo Contest 2014 Winner Best of Show & People's Choice Winner

SAT 11/14 9am

Peter Strauss Ranch
Paint-out Artists like to paint
the sycamores' yellow winter
leaves, as well as the ranch
house and views of 'paramount'
peak. Painting demonstration
followed by critique at noon.
Facilities and parking. Info:
http://allied-artists.com. 4hrs
AASMM

SAT 11/14 9am

Topanga State Park

18th Annual Backbone Trail
Festival: Hondo Canyon to
Saddle Peak Join a moderatestrenuous, 10-mile, 2000' gain
hike, to lunch at the peak. Meet
at trailhead on Old Topanga Cyn
Rd, at a turn-out ½ mile from
Topanga Cyn Blvd. 5hrs SC

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7-mile, 800' gain loop hike on
Backbone Trail to Mesa Peak
(1844') for spectacular ocean
views. Meet at north end of
Corral Canyon Road. 5hrs SC

SUN 11/15 9:30am

Stunt Ranch Reserve – Lower Stunt High Trailhead Autumn's Paintbrush See the changes in nature on an easy hike downhill through rockstudded chaparral, grassland and riparian habitats. Info: 818-591-9163, 2,5hrs CCD/MRT

SUN 11/15 11am

Santa Monica Mountains
Interagency Visitor Center
History Tour Join us for a
tour of the King Gillette Ranch
and visitor center. Meet inside
the visitor center. Rain cancels.
1hr NPS

TUE 11/17 8:30am

Stunt Ranch Preserve –
Lower Stunt High Trailhead
Easy Pace Hikers Join a
6-mile, 1000' gain hike through a riparian canyon and chaparral, with sandstone outcroppings.
Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: Rita 818-889-9924.
3-4hrs SC

TUE 11/17 9am

Solstice Canyon
Solstice Canyon Enjoy
a moderate, 7-mile, 2000'
gain hike to Roberts Ranch,
into Deer Valley, and onto
high ground with ocean
views. 5hrs SC

The Chautauqua Series

November 17, Tuesday at 7:30pm Temescal Gateway Park

The History, Mystery, and Material Culture of the Chaparral

Join educator, scholar, and storyteller *Peter Rice* in an interactive lecture with hands-on activities, visuals, wild foods and stories. Meet at Woodland Hall. 1.5hrs MRCA/SMMC

WED 11/18 10am

Peter Strauss Ranch
Plein Art Landscape Painting
Bring your own materials and
paint landscapes with fellow
artists. All levels welcome. Coordinator: Soni 818-800-5105.
3hrs TOPAW

THU 11/19 8:30am

Topanga State Park
Trippet Ranch, Musch Trail,
Eagle Rock Loop Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile, 1200'
gain hike. Bring \$ for parking, 2
qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels.
Info: 818-981-4799, 4hrs SC

SAT 11/21 8:30am

Will Rogers State Park

18th Annual Backbone

Trail Festival: BienvenedaLeacock Trails to Will Rogers

State Historic Park Join a very
strenuous, 15-mile, 2800' gain
loop hike into the eastern end
of the Backbone Trail. Meet at
end of Bienveneda Ave. 5hrs SC

SAT 11/21 8:45am

Leo Carrillo State Park
Habitat Restoration Help
clear the way for several plant
and animal species that are
struggling to thrive in an area
that is overrun with invasive,
non-native plants. Bring water,
snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves
and tools provided. Receive
community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-5911701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

SAT 11/21 9am

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Unleash in Nature Are you
ready to get your heart pumping and legs moving while
soaking up the sun? Challenge
yourself with an aerobic warmup and workout hike. Learn
how to incorporate a variety
of energizing exercise moves
all while enjoying the great
outdoors. Meet at parking lot.
2hrs MRCA/NPS

SAT 11/21 9am

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Potrero Creek Restoration
Help plant, weed and water
native oaks in a new restoration
site. Meet at W. Potrero Rd.
and Briar Ave. Bring hat, water,
snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves
and tools provided. Receive
community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-5911701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

SAT 11/21 11am

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center Get Inspired on a Hike! Join a ranger and enjoy a 1-mile loop hike with 360 degree views of the Santa Monica Mountains. Meet by fountain. Bring water and sunscreen. 1.5hrs NPS

SAT 11/21 3pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Walk into the Chumash
World Chumash Indians have
used many natural resources for
thousands of years to create a
sustainable way of life. Learn
about their culture and life in
Southern California on this easy
walk. Meet at front parking lot.
2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 11/22 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach
Beach and Wetlands Bird
Watching Beginners, experts,
teens or adults, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Meet
at shaded viewpoint. Info: 310395-6235, 2-3hrs SMBAS

Cultural Workshop

Sunday, November 22 10am & 1pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Join Navajo-Pueblo of Isleta native *Rowan Harrison*, as he teaches and demonstrates how to create small hand-coiled pottery. Materials provided. Please be on time. All ages welcome. *Limited seating and materials, so first come, first served.* 2hrs.

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

18

SUN 11/22

9am

Topanga State Park

18th Annual Backbone Trail
Festival: Trippet Ranch to
Eagle Rock Join a moderate,
7-mile, 1100' gain hike. Bring
water, hat, and sunscreen.
5hrs SC

SUN 11/22 10am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach
Birdwatching for Young
Children and Parents
Join us on a special walk bino-culars provided. Meet at
shaded viewpoint. Reservations required for groups:

SUN 11/22 5pm

310-395-6235. 1hr SMBAS

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Nearly Full Moon Hike
Work up an appetite before
Thanksgiving with a moderate
hike. Meet at main parking lot.
2hrs MRCA

TUE 11/24 9am

Will Rogers State Park

Backbone Trail to Oak Tree

Join a 8-mile, 1600' gain hike
to Inspiration Pt, Chicken Ridge
Bridge to the Oak Tree. Bring
water, hat, and sunscreen.

5hrs SC

WED 11/25 6pm

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Hike Join us
on an evening for exploring
nature by moonlight. Enjoy
our moderately-strenuous hike
with great views. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

WESTERN NATIONAL PARKS ASSOCIATION

holiday sale

November 28 – 29 Saturday & Sunday, 9am-5pm

two locations:

Santa Monica Mountains
Interagency Visitor Center and
Satwiwa Culture Center

Save 15% - 75% on all store items (except handcrafted products) – a unique selection of books, apparel, toys and more.

INFO: samo@wnpa.org or 805-370-2302

SAT 11/28

8:30am

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Rambling Raptors, Hovering Hawks Wide open views, tall perches, and rising thermals give good looks at kites, harriers, buteos, and falcons. Bring binoculars on this easy, 1-mile walk. Beginning birders welcome. Meet at main parking lot. Rain cancels. 2.5hrs NPS

SUN 11/29 10am

Malibu Creek State Park
Welcome to Malibu Creek
Join a docent for a walk along
the creek and through a
wooded valley. Learn about the
area's animals, plants, early
inhabitants, and movies filmed
in the park. Meet at the lower
parking lot. 2hrs MCD



SUN 11/29

10am

Paramount Ranch
From Set to Screen Learn the
secrets that turn a dusty set
into a realistic town. Join us on
this easy-paced walk behind
the scenes to discover the illusions and history of Paramount
Ranch. 1hr NPS



TUE 12/1

9am

Leo Carrillo State Park
Yellow Hill Trail & Coastal
Slope Trail Join a moderatelypaced, 8-mile, 2300' gain
hike up Yellow Hill Trail on
the western edge traversing
SMMC and NPS parkland.
Meet at Yellow Hill Fire
Road gate. 5hrs SC

WED 12/2

10am

Peter Strauss Ranch
Plein Art Landscape Painting
Bring your own materials
and paint landscapes with
fellow artists. All levels
welcome. Coordinator: Soni
818-800-5105. 3hrs TOPAW

SAT 12/5

8:45am

Cold Creek Preserve
Habitat Restoration Help
plant, weed, and water native
wildflowers and other plants
in the pristine valley preserve.
Bring snack, water, and sturdy
shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service
credit. Reservations required:
www.mountainstrust.org or
818-591-1701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

SAT 12/5

9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Introduction to Mountain
Bike Skills Learn proper offroad riding fundamentals and
shared-use etiquette. Helmet
and mountain bike required.
Heavy rain cancels. Info:
www.corbamtb.com or
805-558-1606. 4hrs CORBA

TOPANGA CANYON DOCENTS Guided Walks

Topanga State Park *Trippet Ranch Nature Center*

Beginning January 2016 on Sundays, join

a docent for a morning hike.

Bring your questions about birds, wildflowers, snakes, geology, plant uses, insects and local Native American culture.

You can also stop by the Visitor Center (open 10am - 3pm on Sundays, January through July) to enjoy the nature and historic displays inside the historic skeet lodge.

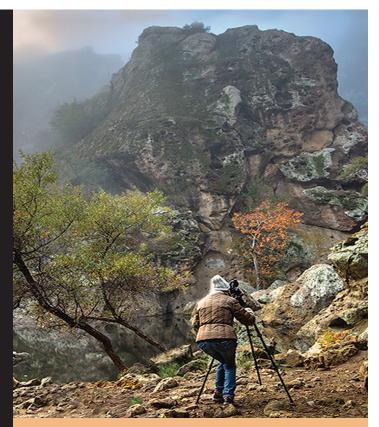
For more info: *TopangaDocents.org*



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Look for the acronym
at the end of the description (e.g., NPS = National
Park Service). Then use the
Directory on Page 33
to contact the sponsoring
agency or organization.

Mountains Restoration Trust *presents*

The MASTERS PROGRAM Landscape Art Photography Workshop plus the bonus DIGITAL BOOT CAMP



Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area

December 3 – 6, 2015

Join photographer **Tom Gamache**, co-author of the acclaimed book *RANGE ON THE EDGE* — *The Santa Monica Mountains*, and landscape photography instructor *Van Webster* for this unique digital photography workshop in the country's largest urban park. In a single weekend, the instructors will teach you their hard earned pro tips, tricks and artistic secrets that will enhance your work for a lifetime.

To register and for more details: www.tomgamache.com and click on the Santa Monica Mountains Workshop tab 2nd Annual

Bird Fest of the **Santa Monica Mountains**

December 5, Saturday, 9:00am - 3:30pm

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center

A day to celebrate the bird! Join us for guided walks, displays, and presentations on topics including a live bird presentation plus creating a drought tolerant and bird friendly habitat. For more

information: 805-370-2302 or samo@wnpa.org

Audubon Society (local chapters), National Park Service, and Western National Parks Assn



SAT 12/5 9:30am

Cold Creek Preserve –
Lower Stunt High Trailhead
First Saturday Stroll along a
streamside trail, through oak
woodlands to a gently rolling
chaparral basin surrounded by
craggy sandstone peaks. Info:
818-591-9163. 2hrs CCD/MRT

SAT 12/5 9:30am

Cheeseboro/Palo Comado Canyons Simi Peak Join a moderately-

Simi Peak Join a moderatelypaced, 10.5-mile, 2300' gain loop hike to Simi Peak. Nice view of the Baleen Wall along the way. Bring water, hat, and sunscreen. Meet at (exit 101 at Kanan Rd, go N 2.2 miles, right on Sunnycrest Dr., then 0.7 miles to trailhead). 5hrs SC

SAT 12/5

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
Franklin's Movie Magic Go
on location! From "The Andy
Griffith Show" to "Modern
Family", this site has been
the backdrop for movies and
TV shows since the 1930s to
this day. Take a stroll with us
through the canyon on this easy
walk. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SAT 12/5 3pm

King Gillette Ranch
Capture a Nature Moment
Nature offers the best photo
opportunities, but can be a
difficult model. Enjoy an easy
walk while we help you with
this enjoyable art. Bring your
camera. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 12/6

10am

10am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
Nature Trek Lace up those
shoes and join us on an moderately-difficult hike, covering
the canyon from top to bottom,
including shady green trails and
sun-baked, steep paths. Canyon
history and habitat chat along
the way. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 12/6 3pm

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
Capture a Nature Moment
Nature offers the best photo
opportunities, but can be a difficult model. Learn the tricks of
nature photography on an easy
walk. Bring your camera. 2hrs
MRCA/SMMC

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE





December 6, 2015 Sunday from 10am - 3pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Join us for a day of hand-crafted art, music, storytelling, and family fun. Purchase beautiful and unique Native American art for the holidays and meet local artists. *Eric Alvarado* will be honoring us with his flute music throughout the day. All ages welcome. Info: 805-370-2301

TUE 12/8 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Malibu Creek State Park/
King Gillette Ranch Join a
moderately-paced, 7-8-mile,
1000' gain hike to King Gillette
Ranch. Meet at SW corner of
Mulholland Hwy & Las Virgenes/Malibu Cyn Rd. 5hrs SC

THU 12/10 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
De Anza Park to Rock Pools
via Talepop Trail Join a
moderately-paced, 9-mile,
1000' gain hike primarily in
northern Malibu Creek State
Park. Meet in De Anza's Park
parking lot (from 101 Fwy in
Calabasas, take Lost Hills Rd
(exit 33) south 1-mile and turn
right into parking lot). Bring 2
qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat,
and sunscreen. Rain cancels.
Info: 818-981-4799, 4-5hrs SC

FRI 12/11

Santa Monica Mountains
Interagency Visitor Center
A Bit of Local History Join
us for a leisurely stroll around
the visitor center and adjacent
grounds while we learn what
the properties meant to those
who lived here. Meet inside
visitor center. 1hr NPS

SAT 12/12 9am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach – Adamson House

Paint-out The house and gardens afford views of the Malibu Pier, lagoon and beaches. Oil painters must have a tarp under their easel. Painting demonstration, facilities and paid parking or free on PCH. Info: http://allied-artists.com. 4hrs AASMM

SAT 12/12

2pm

9am

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Potrero Creek Restoration
Help plant, weed and water
native oaks in a new restoration
site. Meet at W. Potrero Rd.
and Briar Ave. Bring hat, water,
snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves
and tools provided. Receive
community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-5911701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SAT 12/12 9:30am

Paramount Ranch
Around the World! Travel
through time and across continents to China, Africa and 16th
century America to discover
where long ago movie sets once
stood. Easy-paced 3-mile hike.
Rain cancels. 2hrs NPS

SAT 12/12 10am

King Gillette Ranch
Wilderness Survival Basics
Ever wonder what it takes to
get prepared for a wilderness
survival situation? Join us to
learn some of the basics and
tips you hopefully will never
have to use. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

SAT 12/12 2pm

King Gillette Ranch
Walk into the Chumash
World Chumash Indians have
used many natural resources for
thousands of years to create a
sustainable way of life. Learn
about their culture and life in
Southern California on this easy
1-mile walk. Meet at front parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 12/13 9:30am

Stunt Ranch Reserve – Lower Stunt High Trailhead Easing into Winter Awesome views in an easy hike downhill through rock-studded chaparral, grassland and riparian habitats along the Stunt High Trail. 2.5hrs CCD

TUE 12/15 9am

Santa Monica Mountains
Gizmo Peak (1927') from
Mandeville Cyn Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile, 1100'
gain hike from Mandeville Cyn
to Mountaingate Community
with lunch at Nike Site, before
"scaling" Gizmo Peak. Meet at
Gardenland Rd. 5hrs SC

SAT 12/19 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
La Sierra Native Plant Restoration Meet in Peter Strauss
Ranch parking lot to carpool to restoration sites. Bring hat, water, snack, and sturdy shoes.
Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

SAT 12/19 8:45am

Leo Carrillo State Park
Habitat Restoration The
beach is home to several
species that are struggling to
thrive in an area that is overrun
with invasive non-native plants.
Our goal is to clear the way
so they can thrive! Bring hat,
water, snack, and sturdy shoes.
Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit.
Reservations required: www.
mountainstrust.org or 818-5911701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT

SAT 12/19 9am

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Unleash in Nature Are you
ready to get your heart pumping and legs moving while
soaking up the sun? Challenge
yourself with an aerobic warmup and workout hike. Learn
how to incorporate a variety
of energizing exercise moves
all while enjoying the great
outdoors. Meet at parking lot.
2hrs MRCA/NPS

SAT 12/19 11am

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center Get Inspired on a Hike! Join a ranger and enjoy a 1-mile loop hike with 360 degree views of the Santa Monica Mountains. Meet by fountain. Bring water and sunscreen. 1.5hrs NPS

SAT 12/19

2pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Walk into the Chumash
World Chumash Indians have
used many natural resources for
thousands of years to create a
sustainable way of life. Learn
about their culture and life in
Southern California on this easy
walk. Meet at front parking lot.
2hrs MRCA/SMMC

SAT 12/19 3:30pm

Franklin Canyon –
Franklin Canyon Ranch
Winter Solstice Hike Welcome
the arrival of winter in Franklin
Canyon! Hike up a moderate
trail, discuss seasonal changes
and identify planets and
constellations. Meet at parking
lot. 2.5hrs MRCA/SMMC

SUN 12/20 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Birdwalk Enjoy watching birds
in unspoiled habitats. Bring
binoculars. Beginners welcome!
Meet in lower parking lot. Info:
Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art
818-887-0973, 4hrs SEVAS

SUN 12/20 1pm

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center History Tour Join us for a historical tour of the King Gillette Ranch and visitor center. Meet inside the visitor center. Rain cancels. 1hr NPS

TUE 12/22 9am

Malibu Creek State Park -Tapia Unit

Tapia Park - Paramount Ranch Join a 11-mile, 1400' gain hike through Malibu Creek State Park to the site of many movies. 5hrs SC

SAT 12/26 8am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Center
Canyon Birds Spend part of
the morning with the birds!
Enjoy a leisurely morning stroll
around Franklin Canyon Lake
finding local and migratory
birds. No dogs please. Meet at
parking lot below Nature Center. Bring binoculars. Beginners
welcome. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

SAT 12/26 5pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Full Moon Hike Discover wildlife's winter adaptations under a
full moon. Meet at main parking
lot. Moderate hike. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 12/26 5pm

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Hike Join us on an
evening for exploring nature by
moonlight. Enjoy our moderately-strenuous hike with great
views. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs
MRCA/NPS

SUN 12/27 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach Beach and Wetlands Bird Watching Beginners, experts, teens or adults, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Info: 310-395-6235. 2-3hrs SMBAS

> August Dawn in Malibu Creek State Park by Joe Doherty Spirit of the Mountains Photo Contest 2014 Winner 3rd Place – Scenic Shots category

SUN 12/27 10am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach Birdwatching for Young Children and Parents Join us on a special walk - binoculars provided. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Reservations required for groups: 310-395-6235. 1hr SMBAS

SUN 12/27 10am

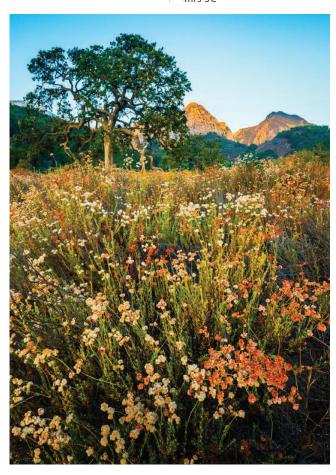
Malibu Creek State Park
Welcome to Malibu Creek
Join a docent for a walk along
the creek and through a
wooded valley. Learn about the
area's animals, plants, early inhabitants, and movies filmed in
the park. Meet at lower parking
lot. 2hrs MCD

TUE 12/29 8:30am

Topanga State Park
Easy Pace Hikers Join a
5-mile, 600' gain hike from
Trippet Ranch to Dead Horse
Trail, including the Nature trail,
in which deer sightings are
common. Bring water, snack,
lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen.
Rain cancels. Info: Virve 310477-9664. 3-4hrs SC

TUE 12/29 9am

Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Palisades Park
Walk Join us for a walk from
Rustic Canyon Recreation Center to Palisades Park in Santa
Monica. Meet at Rustic Canyon
Recreation Center parking lot.
4hrs SC



Regularly Schoduled Activities				
Circle X Ranch	Group camping, hiking, picnicking in high mountain country. 15 miles of trails. Guided walks as scheduled. Camping fee. NPS			
Cold Creek Preserve	Open daily by reservation only for group and individual walks. Scheduled interpretive plant and bird walks. Tours for private groups may be arranged. 818-591-1701. CCD/MRT			
Coldwater Canyon Park	TreePeople location. Nursery open WED 10am to noon, and SAT 2pm to 4pm. TP			
Franklin Canyon Ranch/ Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking, and nature trails. Regularly scheduled naturalist programs. WODOC/MRCA			
Leo Carrillo State Park	Campfire programs and hikes as scheduled. Camping, fishing, hiking, and surfing. Visitor center open 10am to 3pm weekends. Parking fee. CSP			
Malibu Creek State Park	Campfire programs and hikes as scheduled. Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails. Visitor center open weekends noon to 4pm. Crafts and games for children on first and third SAT of month 12:15pm to 2:30pm. Day-use parking fee. CSP/MCD			
Malibu Lagoon State Beach/ Historic Adamson House	Tours of historic Adamson House and museum WED thru SAT 11am to 3pm. Reservations required for 10 or more. TUE: groups by reservation. Tour fees. Bird walks at the state beach lagoon. Parking fee. CSP/MLMD/SMBAS			
Paramount Ranch	Western town movie set. Ranger-led programs as scheduled; call 805-370-2301 for dates. Picnicking. Equestrian and hiking trails. NPS			
Peter Strauss Ranch	Open 8am to sunset daily. Hillside loop trail, picnicking. Concerts as scheduled. NPS			
Point Mugu State Park	Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling, and equestrian trails. Naturalist programs as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP			
Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa	Hiking, bicycling, and equestrian trails with access to Point Mugu State Park. Culture center is open SAT and SUN 9am to 5pm. NPS			
Rocky Oaks	Hiking, equestrian trails, and picnic area. NPS			
Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center	Open daily from 9am to 5pm and closed some holidays. Info on Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area and other national parks. Exhibits and bookstore. NPS/MRCA/CSP			
Temescal Gateway Park	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking, and overnight group accommodations available. Parking fee. MRCA			
Topanga State Park	Hiking, picnicking, equestrian, and mountain bike trails. Docent-led walks as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP/TCD			
Will Rogers State Historic Park	Open 8am to sunset. Guided tour of ranch house available TUE thru SUN at 11am, 1pm, and 2pm (ranch house closed on MON). Reservations needed for groups of 25 or more. Parking fee. CSP/WRD			
UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa Monica Mountains Reserve	Environmental research and education. K–12, university level, and community programs. By prior approval only 310-206-3887. SRSMMR			



- Arroyo Sequit 34138 Mulholland Hwy, Malibu. Pacific Coast Hwy to Mulholland Hwy. Turn inland on Mulholland Hwy and go 6 miles to park entrance on right side of road.
- Caballero Canyon Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Reseda Blvd, turn south. Lower Trailhead: 1.9 miles south just past the fountains on left side. Upper Trailhead: Marvin Braude Mulholland Gateway Park. 3.1 miles south at the end of Reseda Blvd near dirt Mulholland.
- 3 California State Parks Angeles
 District Headquarters Ventura Fwy
 (101) to Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on
 Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Park entrance is 0.25 mile
 south of the intersection on Las Virgenes Rd.
 From Pacific Coast Hwy: north on Malibu Canyon Rd to Malibu Creek State Park entrance on
 left.
- 4 Castro Crest Pacific Coast Hwy to Corral Canyon Rd (west of Malibu Canyon Rd). Follow Corral Canyon Rd to end (parking lot).
- 5 Charmlee Wilderness Park Pacific Coast Hwy, about 3 miles south of Ventura County line. Turn inland on Encinal Canyon Rd, 4 miles to park entrance on the left side of road.
- 6 Cheeseboro/Palo Comado Canyons Ventura Fwy (101) to Chesebro Rd exit. Turn north on Palo Comado Canyon Rd then right on Chesebro Rd. Go north 1 mile to park entrance. Turn right and follow road to parking lot.
- 7 Circle X Ranch Pacific Coast Hwy to Yerba Buena Rd. Turn inland; go 5.4 miles to Circle X Ranch contact station.
 Sandstone Peak Trailhead: 1 mile north of Circle X Ranch contact station on Yerba Buena Rd. Parking lot is on left.
 Mishe Mokwa Trailhead: 1.75 miles north of the Circle X contact station along Yerba Buena Road. Parking lot is on right.

- 8 Cold Creek Preserve & Stunt Ranch Reserve Area Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right) 0.25 mile. At Mulholland Hwy, turn left. Continue for 5 miles to Stunt Rd. Lower Stunt High Trailhead: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 1 mile to pullout on right. Preserve's Lower Gate: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 1.2 miles to pullout on right. Permit required for walk-in visitation. Preserve's Upper Gate: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 3.3 miles to pullout on left. Permit required for walk-in visitation. Top of Stunt Rd: Intersection of Schueren. Saddle Peak, and Stunt Rds.
- 9 Coldwater Canyon Park Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Coldwater Canyon Ave. Go south to intersection at Mulholland Dr. Entrance is on east (left) side.

10 Franklin Canyon

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr (Upper Franklin Canyon): From Ventura Fwy (101), go 2.5 miles south on Coldwater Cyn Ave. At intersection with Mulholland Dr and Franklin Cyn Dr (directly across from Coldwater Canyon Park), turn right on Franklin Cyn Dr. Go 0.5 mile and turn left at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Park in lot on left next to nature center. (To go to Franklin Canyon Ranch: continue south on the reservoir road and Franklin Canyon Dr. Turn left on Lake Dr.) Franklin Canyon Ranch (Lower Franklin Canvon): From Sunset Blvd, turn north on Beverly Dr. Continue on Beverly Dr by veering left at "to Coldwater Cyn Dr" sign and left at intersection with Coldwater Cyn Dr (look for Beverly Hills Fire Station #2). Turn right on Franklin Canyon Dr. Go 1 mile and turn right on Lake Dr. Park at main lot at end of road. (To go to Sooky Goldman Nature Center: continue north on Franklin Canyon Dr, past Lake Dr. Turn right at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Continue to parking lot on right.)

- 11 Headwaters Corner Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Mulholland Dr/Valley Circle. Go south on Mulholland Dr to Valmar Rd. Turn right on Valmar Rd. Continue south and veer right on Mulholland Hwy. Signed entrance will be on right.
- 12 King Gillette Ranch Ventura Fwy (101)
 Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on
 Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Turn left on Mulholland
 Hwy. Park entrance is 0.1 mile on right.
- 13 Leo Carrillo State Park
 Pacific Coast Hwy at Mulholland Highway.

Nicholas Flat Trailhead: From Pacific Coast Hwy, turn north on Decker Road. Travel about 2 miles and turn left on Decker School Road (not Decker School Lane). Follow road to the end.

- 14 Malibu Bluffs Park Pacific Coast Hwy at Malibu Canyon Road.
- 15 Malibu Creek State Park Ventura
 Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles
 south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy
 intersection (traffic light). Park entrance is
 0.25 mile south of the intersection on Las
 Virgenes Rd. From Pacific Coast Hwy: north
 on Malibu Canyon Rd to park entrance on left.
 Tapia Unit: Entrance is 1 mile south of
 entrance to Malibu Creek State Park.
 Reagan Ranch: Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan
 Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.3 mile. Left on
 Cornell Way and veer to right. South 3 miles
 to parking area on left (just past Mulholland
 Hwy).

Backbone Trailhead-Malibu Canyon Road: Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go south 5 miles to parking lot on right.

16 Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Pacific Coast Hwy 0.25 mile west of Malibu Pier and 1.5 miles east of Malibu Canyon Rd. Parking lot on ocean side of highway at Cross Creek Rd.

Adamson House: 23200 Pacific Coast Hwy. Parking lot on ocean side of Pacific Coast Hwy opposite Serra Rd.

- 17 Paramount Ranch Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.3 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to right. South 2 miles, entrance is on right side of the road.
- 18 Peter Strauss Ranch Ventura Fwy
 (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan Rd 2.8
 miles. Turn left on Troutdale Dr to Mulholland
 Hwy. Left on Mulholland Hwy 400' then right
 into the parking lot. Walk back across the
 bridge on Mulholland Hwy and enter main
 gate to go into the ranch area.
- 19 Point Dume State Preserve Pacific Coast Hwy to Westward Beach Rd in Malibu. Turn south and follow road to parking lot.
- 20 Point Mugu State Park Pacific Coast Hwy, 4 miles west of the Ventura County line. Enter park at Sycamore Canyon Campground. Ray Miller Trailhead: 1.6 miles west of Sycamore Canyon Campground along Pacific Coast Hwy.
- 21 R. H. Meyer Memorial State
 Beaches Pacific Coast Hwy near Encinal
 Canyon Rd.
 El Matador State Beach: On Pacific Coast
 Hwy, 0.5 mile east of Encinal Canyon Rd.
 La Piedra State Beach: On Pacific Coast
 Hwy 0.1 mile west of Encinal Canyon Rd.
 El Pescador State Beach: On Pacific Coast
 Hwy, 0.4 mile west of Encinal Canyon Rd.
- 22 Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Ventura Fwy (101) to Lynn Rd exit. South on Lynn Rd 5.25 miles to Via Goleta. Park entrance is on the left.
 Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center: Walk 0.3 mile up gravel road from the parking area to brown wooden building. Wendy Trailhead: Ventura Fwy (101) to Wendy Dr. exit. South on Wendy Dr to dirt pullout at intersection with Potrero Rd.
- 23 Red Rock Canyon Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd, south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right). At Mulholland Hwy turn left. Drive 5 miles to Stunt Rd. Turn left. Drive 1 mile to "Stunt High Trail" sign. Park on wide dirt area on the right side of road. Cross Stunt Rd and hike 1.5 miles on Calabasas Peak Fire Road into canyon.

- 24 Rocky Oaks Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan Rd to Mulholland Hwy. Turn west (right) on Mulholland Hwy and right again into parking lot.
- 25 Runyon Canyon Park Hollywood Fwy (101) to Highland Av. South to Franklin Ave. West on Franklin to Fuller, north on Fuller to dead end. Park on street. North Entrance 2.6 miles east of Laurel Canyon Blvd on Mulholland Dr.
- 26 Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center at King Gillette Ranch From Ventura Fwy (101): Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Turn left on Mulholland Hwy. Go 0.1 mile and turn right into entrance of King Gillette Ranch. The visitor center is the first building on your right.

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center See #22.

- 27 Solstice Canyon From Pacific Coast Hwy turn inland on Corral Canyon Rd. Drive 0.25 mile to park entrance on left.
- Sooky Goldman Nature Center See #10.
- 28 Stunt Ranch Reserve See #8.
- 29 Tapia Park See #15.
- 30 Temescal Gateway Park From Pacific Coast Hwy, turn inland on Temescal Canyon Rd. Cross Sunset Blvd.
- 31 Topanga State Park South from Ventura Fwy (101) or north from Pacific Coast Hwy on Topanga Canyon Blvd to Entrada Rd on east (left) side of road. Turn east on Entrada Rd and make two left turns to stay on Entrada Rd to park entrance. Dead Horse Trailhead: From Topanga Canyon Blvd, turn East on Entrada Rd. Parking lot is 900' on left.

Los Liones Trailhead: From Pacific Coast Hwy turn inland on Sunset Blvd. Continue on Sunset Blvd for 0.25 mile and turn left on Los Liones Dr. Follow road to the end.

32 Upper Las Virgenes Canyon Open Space Preserve

Las Virgenes Trailhead: From Ventura Fwy (101), exit Las Virgenes Road and head north 1.75 miles to the end of the road.

- 33 Wilacre Park Ventura Fwv (101) to Laurel Canyon Blvd, south 1.5 miles to Fryman Rd. Turn right and park along street. Entrance on Fryman Rd just off of Laurel Canyon Blvd.
- 34 Will Rogers State Historic Park 1501 Will Rogers State Park Rd, Pacific Palisades. Pacific Coast Hwy to Sunset Blvd. Inland 5 miles on Sunset Blvd. Entrance signs on left side of road.

35 Zuma/Trancas Canyons

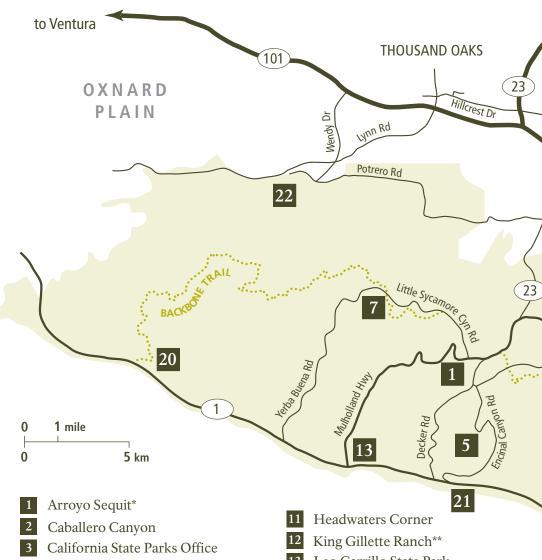
Zuma Ridge Trailhead: Pacific Coast Hwy to Busch Drive (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Rusch Drive until it ends

Zuma Canvon Trailhead: Pacific Coast Hwv to Busch Drive (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Busch Drive. Turn right on Rainsford Place. Turn left on Bonsall Drive. Parking lot at end of road.

Newton Canyon Trailhead: Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan past Mulholland Hwy. Paved pullout is about 1.75 miles south of Mulholland on right. just north of Tunnel 1.



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